DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR NOVEMBER 8, 2023

November is National Gratitude Month. Today's message from the Red Cross Club is to *thank someone who has made a difference in your life.*

<u>Music Concert</u> - Come out for the music concert as band, choir and orchestra perform TONIGHT (November 8) at 7:00pm in the auditorium.

<u>Parent-Teacher Conferences</u> are this Thursday, November 9, 4:00-8:00pm, in the main gym. Encourage your parents to come meet with your teachers. Students are also welcome.

You're Invited to "Princess Party Smackdown", a :30 minute one-act comedy from the Drama Club, this Friday, November 10, at 7:00pm, in the auditorium. The cost is just \$1.00 cash at the door. The cast is Morgan Burgos, Dakota Bishop-Wocelka, Kelly Casey, Sarah Freek, Amara Hoekman, Norah Hooper, Mae Kobza, Arianna Smith and Sarah Wise. The student director is Sarah Freek.

<u>Congratulations and a huge thank you to DECA</u> who set a record in items collected for its annual food drive for the Hunger Task Force! The club collected over 7000 items with a value of over \$30,000.

<u>AP Exams</u> - That AP exam fees were due November 1, and November 15 is the last day to cancel an exam without incurring a \$40 cancellation fee. Students wanting to cancel an exam should have their parents email Mrs. Freyer at reyer@whitnall.com before November 15.

All Students are invited to check out Trades Day next Wednesday, November 15, in the small gym. Tech Ed students will attend during class. Other students can go during lunch or sign up for Mr. Van Grinsven's Falcon Time. This is your chance to engage with industry professionals, do hands-on demonstrations and learn more about the many high wage, high demand careers in the trades. If you drive to school, some of the spots in front of the main gym entrance by door #5 will be taken by our guests that day. Plan to park in other student parking spots. Do not park in District Office staff parking.

<u>Seniors</u> - Submit your senior quote for the 2023-24 yearbook. Make sure you have reviewed all the guidelines before completing the google form that was emailed to you.

Clubs/Activities

<u>International Club members</u> - You should have received a link to a google form about this week's Cultural Bake Sale that will be held during parent/teacher conferences this Thursday evening. Please check your email for the link and fill that out so we can finalize plans.

<u>The Red Cross Club</u> meets tomorrow (November 9) at 7:00am in room 273. They are good with boxes right now. Please support the "Totes for Hope" project by bringing in donations.

<u>SkillsUSA</u> - SkillsUSA meets tomorrow (November 9) at 7:05am in room 110, the computer lab downstairs, to sign up for district competitions. Donuts will be provided.

<u>The Way</u>, which is a Christian Club, will meet Friday, November 10, and Friday, November 17, from 7:05-7:30am, in room 110. All are welcome to join us!

<u>Geology Club</u> meets next on Wednesday, November 15, after school in room 256. The club meets every other Wednesday so check it out!

The Red Cross Club's "Totes for Hope" homeless project, which runs from October 23-November 27 supports local homeless shelters to include homeless veterans. Homelessness is a serious problem in Milwaukee County and surrounding counties. The pandemic increased our homeless population significantly, and the Whitnall community can make a difference. The club will be filling sling sacks with necessary items to assist those that are struggling and in need. Please see the list of suggested items here or flyers in the building, or see Ms. Martin, James Stamm or Chris Johnson for a copy. Please bring donations to room 273. Club members will also pick up items from Hales Corners Elementary, Edgerton Elementary and Whitnall Middle School so you can drop off items there as well. Email lmartin@whitnall.com for a pick up. Donations may also be dropped off at the high school main entrance to the attention of Ms. Martin. Please support this important cause since helping others also benefits you!

<u>Winter Sports Registration Deadline Soon!</u> - If you want to participate in boys basketball,boys swim and dive or wrestling, the deadline to register in Infinite Campus is November 12.

<u>College Visits</u> - Representatives from universities periodically come to Whitnall. You need to sign up in the Counseling Office by noon the day before the visit if you want to attend.

- MATC, Mondays, 10:00am-12:00pm
- Beloit College, November 17, 3rd hour

<u>Activities Registration Required</u> - If you are participating in a Whitnall High School activity or club, you need to register in Infinite Campus. Although there might not be a fee associated with a particular activity, all participating students – and parents – need to review and sign the Whitnall code of conduct which is part of the registration process.

Want a snack in the afternoon? Stop at the Snack Bite table at about 12:30 and after 7th hour and get something for only \$1.00. The students sell these outside The Cafe on the upper level.

<u>The Charlie B's</u> school store is open during all lunch hours. Come grab a snack, drink or some spirit wear! Charlie B's is located behind the cafeteria.

<u>Military Visits</u> - Representatives will be in the cafeteria during lunch periodically. Stop by their table to find out more and get your questions answered.

- Army National Guard November 21, December 5, December 19
- Marines November 14, November 28, December 12
- Navy December 4

Order Your 2023-24 Yearbook - Order here.

\$65 (November 1, 2023-January 23, 2024) \$70 (January 24-February 28, 2024) \$80 (As of March 1, 2024) There will be a deadline for online orders. There is no guarantee yearbooks will be available if not ordered in advance. There will NOT be any reorders after the final deadline in early 2024.

Regarding Falcon Time, teachers or administration might assign you to a class. If you don't sign up for a Falcon Time, you will be assigned. You may be assigned to a silent study hall or "general study" that is not one of your classroom teachers. You need to go to the Falcon Time on your schedule that day or you will be marked absent. All same day Falcon Time change requests must go through the teacher. If you signed up for a Falcon Time yourself, you can change that up until the day before.

<u>Check for Scholarships</u> - Students, remember to check Xello for a listing of scholarships. New ones are added periodically.

Lost and Found - Check the lost and found cabinet in the main entrance for things you might be missing.

<u>Health Room Process</u> - If you are not feeling well, you first need to be excused from class and get a pass from your teacher to go to the Health Room. If that staff member feels you need to go home, your parent/guardian will be contacted. Do not just contact someone to come pick you up. If you are leaving the building, you need to check out at the main office window with Mrs. Beyer.

<u>Help Desk</u> - The Help Desk is located on the lower level in room 150. It is open for technology assistance on school days, 7:30am-3:00pm, or fill out a Help Desk ticket <u>here</u>. A hall pass is REQUIRED when visiting during class time.

No Chromebook chargers loaned out - Make sure your Chromebook is charged every day. The Whitnall Helpdesk does not loan out chargers of any kind. If you need your laptop charged, bring it to room 150, and they will provide you a fully charged device while your own device charges. The Help Desk will not charge your personal electronics. Charge swaps and daily loaners are limited to three uses per month, repairs notwithstanding.

<u>All Students</u> - You need to scan your ID if you are coming in late or leaving early. This includes seniors with open campus so make sure you have your ID ready when you are at the window. If you lost your ID, there is a \$5.00 replacement fee. See Ms. Kolberg in the office if you need an ID.

<u>Meal Account</u> - When having breakfast and/or lunch at Whitnall High School, you will need your ID. Families can put money in their meal account through Infinite Campus or put cash or a check, made payable to Whitnall School District, in the lock box in the cafeteria or outside the district office. Make sure you have the student's first and last name and grade included.